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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

I am a residential consumer of competitive home telephone service and a former subscriber to DSL that is carried over traditional copper wire from a local company, Sonic. I am very concerned that broadband competition will be limited by proposed changes to the 1996 Telecommunications Act that would impact my local provider. The customer service of my local provider has been excellent in my years of subscribing with them and this is only true because of local competition in broadband. I urge you not to yield to the large corporate lobbyists who want to deregulate the local broadband and telephone market. Local broadband is crucial to my local businesses and schools as well. Competition is what drives options, service and lower costs for consumers. I urge you to retain the competitive provisions of the 1996 Telecom Act so that my story and access at low costs will endure.

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